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Dr. Harmon McAllister, Research Director, The Council for Tobacco Research - U.S.A., Inc. 900 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10022 U. S. A.

Dear Dr. McAllister,

Thank you for your encouraging letter of 10th December. My current support from the Imperial Cancer Research Fund comprises an annual grant of £16,000 to cover all laboratory and research costs, plus the salary of a senior research assistant (about £20,000 p.a.). Unfortunately this excellent assistant is to be recalled to the ICRF central laboratories in London this summer. If I have the funding I envisage recruiting a more junior assistant at a salary of approximately £15,000 p.a. I anticipate the project will be of a 3-year duration to bring the work to a successful conclusion. Realistically, therefore, in the first year I shall require a total of about £31,000 and for the subsequent two years similar sums which should ideally take into account any increase in inflation.

I am interested in the Council's program of research support and if you have a Year Book or something similar, I should be grateful if you could send me a copy.

Please accept my good wishes for the New Year.

Yours sincerely,

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